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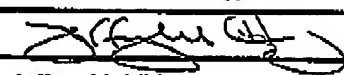
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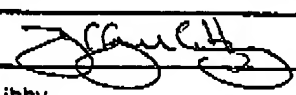
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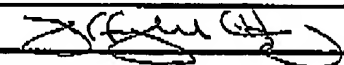
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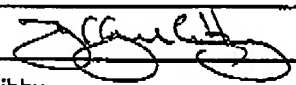
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 30, 2005 for the above-referenced patent application, Applicants hereby elect Group I, Claims 1-20, drawn to a recombinant polynucleotide, a transgenic plant that expresses the recombinant polynucleotide, and a method for producing a transgenic plant having an altered characteristic. Applicants also elect SEQ ID NO: 193 and a nucleic acid encoding SEQ ID NO: 194. SEQ ID NO: 193 corresponds to the G1274 polynucleotide and SEQ ID NO: 194 corresponds to the G1274 polypeptide.

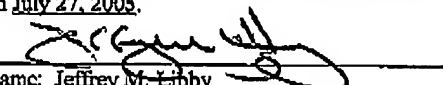
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